

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Title:	Method for Sterilizing and/or Deactivating Adventitious Agents Associated with Biological Materials	Group Art Unit: 1655

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of August 11, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 12 of this paper.